



**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Shinji YAMAGUCHI

Group Art Unit: 1795

Application No.: 10/784,303

Examiner: M. MERKLING

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Docket No.: 118837

For: CATALYST-CARRIED FILTER, EXHAUST GAS PURIFICATION SYSTEM USING  
THE SAME, AND CATALYST BODY

**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the March 25, 2008 Office Action, further to the July 2, 2008 personal interview, the shortened statutory period for reply having been extended by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

Claims 1, 2 and 4 are pending in this application. Applicant thanks Examiner Merklings for the courtesy extended to Applicant's representative, Mr. Luo, during the July 2, 2008 personal interview. The substance of the personal interview is incorporated in the following remarks.

The Office Action rejects claims 1 and 2 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over WO 00/01463 to Hoj et al. in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,384,110 to Muramatsu et al.; and rejects claim 4 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Hoj and Muramatsu and further in view of EP 1018357 to Loncke. These rejections are respectfully traversed.